

**Tech Track Conference Call
October 15, 2019**

Attendees:

Ben and Lara Floyd – White Bluffs Consulting
Bud Leber, Kaiser
Rob Lindsay, Mike Hermanson - Spokane County
Jeff Donovan, City of Spokane
Dave Dilks, LimnoTech
Adriane Borgias, Jeremy Schmidt, Sandy Treccani, Bill Fees, Brandee Era-Miller – WA State Department of Ecology (Ecology)
Lisa Dally-Wilson - SRSP, Dally Environmental
Alyssa Gersdorf – City of Post Falls
Doug Krapas – Inland Empire Paper
Mike Anderson – City of C’DA
Ken Windram – Hayden Area Regional Sewer Board

Introductions and Call Purpose: Ben shared that the project categories discussed at the last TT mtg were organized into work items and Bud organized it into a summary. Dave Dilks has taken the tasks and included them into a prioritization matrix with costs. The plan is to identify any refinements or updates to share at the TF meeting along with guidance on how to approach the items. He asked if there any tasks that can be included in an initial ACE contract with Ecology to recommend to the TF?

Bud shared that the six-page document is a primer to get everyone to understand the outputs from the Data Synthesis Workshop (DSW) with a background section and path forward.

Questions/Comments:

- How do we go about collecting questions and comments on this? *This will go to the TF for discussion.*
- On point source contribution during high/low, does Dave think we can get more information from the sampling already done from the monthly sampling loads as they seem to be all over the place? *If you look at all 4 high flow months there is more at Nine Mile, Greene Street and Spokane Gage. Any individual one I don't put a lot of stock in.*
- Change monitoring report on website to final one or have Dave send WBC the final report
- This is an effort to inform the TF and what comes out of the discussion will become a work plan.
- How does this relate to the fish tissue sampling? *We would need to coordinate.*
- On page 2 of word document on path forward it talks about Fish and Wildlife, EAP input, etc.
- Ben suggested making it more specific to say scoping will be done in coordination with these groups.
- It would be important to have a holistic look at what long term monitoring means and it is not in the pervue of the TF to do it. It is important to do planning and point out all types of work that is happening and have a goal to leverage resources. With the implementation of long term monitoring it should be further down and should include the fish tissue sampling.

- Would it be useful to have a separate meeting around long term effectiveness monitoring?
- As we prioritize is there a way to say yes, the TF wants to prioritize the first half until we see what the second half looks like? *Yes, the TF can make a decision later on supporting the program that gets outlined. The final implementation step depends on what the findings are.*
- Change the wording to recommend elements for long term effectiveness monitoring?
- Brandee felt doing research about the PCB sniffing dogs could be useful and good for outreach in the future if/when there is a dog available. Ecology will do some initial research on this and will share information received.
- What about the Elisa kits?
- It may also go along with hot spots and after additional data collection and a QAPP the Elisa kits (or a dog?) could be something to consider?
- On the electronic data deliverable for the database there is river miles, etc. Mike will get it to WBC to share information about it.
- Next year Ecology will be doing measurable progress determination. Item F is an example of things included in this and are any of these metrics worth collaborating on? We will be looking for data on this starting in January, so there will be an opportunity to collaborate with Ecology.
- What is the difference between 2nd and 4th bullet in item F? Number 2 if it is stormwater makes sense. This came from a breakout session at the DSW and the idea was how can we track metrics? They need further development and maybe it can be trimmed down. The City of Spokane may want to weigh in on this since they have a stormwater system. Lisa will help change the language after further discussion. The City of Spokane and others can provide information based upon what has been done. Lisa will provide the update to WBC.
- Atmospheric Deposition screening will be added back in under item 5? Maybe we leave item 5 in the summary but take it out of the matrix for the TF meeting?
- Effectiveness monitoring should be discussed with the TF.
- Ben suggested taking out item 5 but when we cover the summary first, we can cover effectiveness monitoring with the TF.
- Have Dave walk through the matrix at the TF meeting with Lisa providing context and background information.
- Hopeful to get some idea of a path forward at the TF meeting and Adriane said it is important to start spending the budget and getting some tasks into the contract.
- WBC will include ACE transition as an agenda item at the TF meeting.
- Do we want to add a step before the QAPP where we discuss findings for the planning work so there is a check in with the TF before preparing a QAPP and implementation occurs? *Yes*

Next Steps:

WBC will update version of matrix and narrative and send to TT
Ben, Lisa and Dave will discuss how to present to the TF next week